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Hongkong, January 16, 1908.

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the 31st MARCH, 1908. Applications to
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C. H. GRACE,
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THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBI-
LITY of the late CHAN HUNG
SYEK, 陳衡石 and of the late YAU
KAI MEE 游介眉 in the Firm of
HIMLY & CO having ceased on the 31st
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HIMLY & CO.
Hongkong, January 16, 1908.

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TION COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
SEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING
OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company
will be held at the Company's Offices,
Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the
28th January, 1908, at 11.15 A.M., for
the purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1907.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED on TUES-
DAY, the 21st January, to TUESDAY, the
28th January (both days inclusive), during
which period no Transfer of Shares can be
registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORRIS, Secretary.

Hongkong, January 14, 1908.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-

MENT & AGENCY COMPANY,

LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
TWENTIETH ORDINARY MEET-
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Com-
pany will be held at the Company's Offices,
Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the
28th January, 1908, at 12 o'clock Noon,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1907.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED on FRIDAY,
the 17th January, to TUESDAY, the 28th
January, (both days inclusive), during
which period no Transfer of Shares can be
registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER.

Hongkong, January 10, 1908.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING CO.,

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
TWENTIETH ORDINARY MEET-
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Com-
pany will be held at the Company's Offices,
Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the
28th January, 1908, at 11.30 o'clock A.M.,
for the purpose of receiving the Report of
the Directors together with a Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1907.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Company will be CLOSED on MONDAY,
the 20th January, to TUESDAY, the 28th
January, (both days inclusive), during
which period no Transfer of Shares can be
registered.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER.

Secretary to THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
General Agents for THE WEST POINT
BUILDING CO., LD.
Hongkong, January 10, 1908.

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN &

MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

THE ELEVENTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company will be held
at the OFFICES of the Company, St.
George's Building, No. 6, Connaught Road,
on WEDNESDAY, 28th January, 1908, at
11.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving a
Statement of Accounts and the Report of
the General Managers for the year ending
31st December, 1907, declaring a Dividend
and electing a Consulting Committee and
Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from SATURDAY
the 25th January, until WEDNESDAY,
the 29th January, 1908, both days inclu-
sive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, January 14, 1908.

UNDER the Auspices of the CHRISTIAN

SCIENCE SOCIETY OF HONGKONG.

A LECTURE ON

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

BY
FRANCIS J. FLUNO, W.D., C.S.D.
Member of the Christian Science Board
of Lecturership,
AT THE
THEATRE ROYAL,
Thursday, Jan. 23rd, at 5.30 p.m.
Doors open at 5 p.m.

The Lecturer will be introduced by
HON. H. E. POLLOCK, K.C.

All are cordially invited to attend.
Admission FREE.
Hongkong, January 9, 1908.

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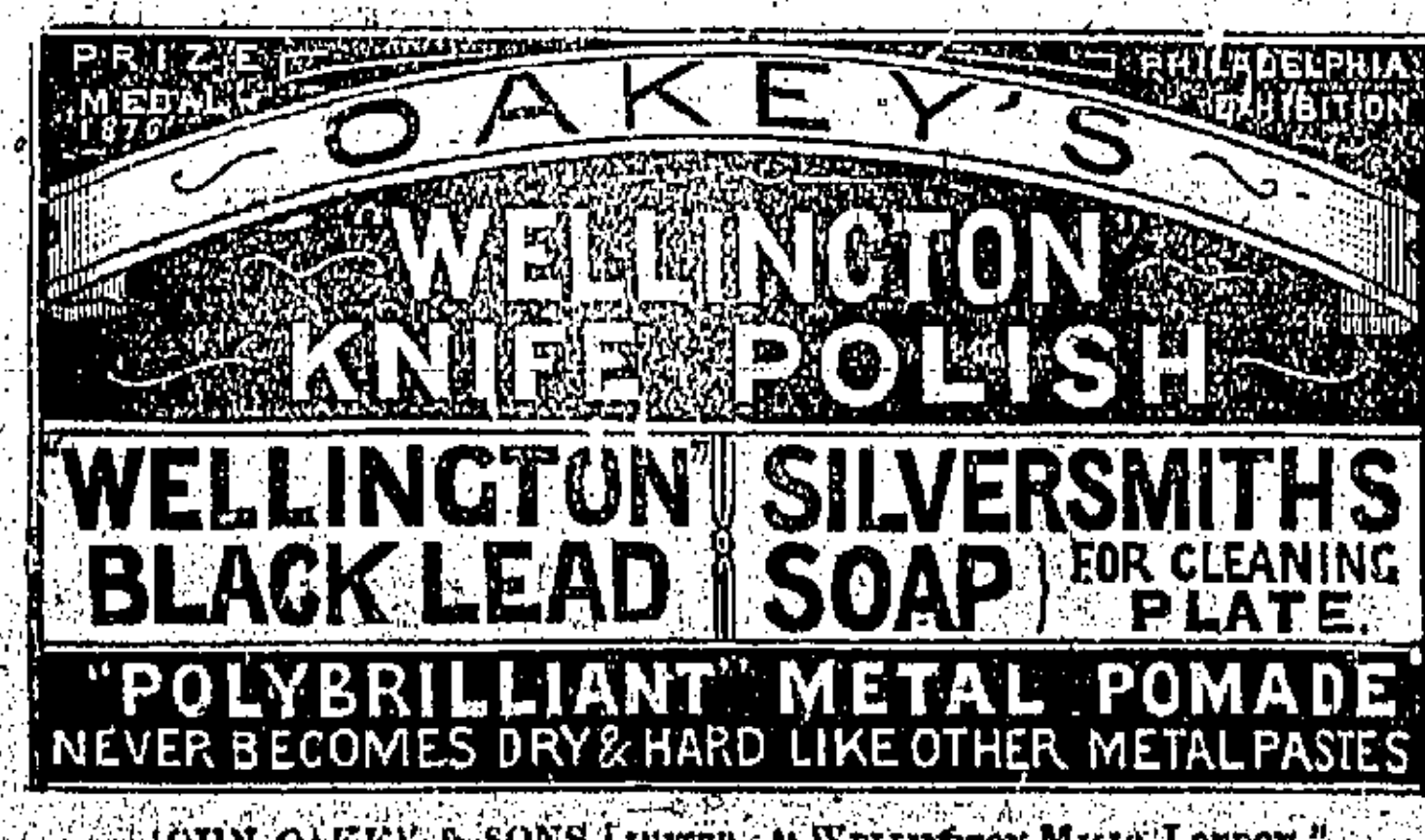
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of passage, etc., in connection with above.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.
Hongkong, August 7, 1907. 1285

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JAPAN'S HIGH-HANDED METHODS.

An Outspoken Official.

At a meeting of the Bankers Club at
Tokyo, Mr. Hagiwara, formerly Consul
General at Mukden, made an interesting
speech chiefly with reference to the differ-
ence between the methods of Russia and
Japan in extending their influence beyond
their borders. History, if carefully
studied, showed that Russia effected much
more by pacific means than by belligerent.
Her most essential aggrandisement was
due not force of arms but to skilful
management. As illustrating this, he
adduced the cases of the East China Rail-
way and the Russo Chinese Bank, two
undertakings which, though initiated and
carried out peacefully, would have con-
tributed enormously to the extension of
Russian influence had not looked for
events intervened. The Japanese, on the
contrary, seemed to recognise the high
hand only as a suitable weapon for extend-
ing their influence. Their aggressive dis-
position in Manchuria was a convincing
proof of this. It had the effect of estran-
gling the Chinese inhabitants and marring
the great opportunities which that region
certainly offered.

THEIR OWN COIN.

Suffragettes Closed.

Extraordinary scenes were witnessed at
a Suffragist meeting, organised by the
branch, at Nottingham, says the
"Standard." Between two and three
hundred law students, bank clerks, and
college students packed the gallery, and
immediately Miss Pankhurst rose com-
menced a concerted din, cheering, singing,
blowing whistles and mouth organs, and
stamping. The opposition was well
organised, and not a moment's quiet
interval occurred. Miss Pankhurst stood
her ground pluckily; she shrieked and
gesticulated to the front rows of the
audience, but even those could not hear.

After twenty minutes' uninterrupted
uproar, Alderman J. A. H. Green, mayor,
who resigned from the University College
Council because the students invited
Miss Pankhurst to lecture to them on
Saturday, went on the platform and ap-
pealed for a hearing. "As we hope to
hear Asquith next week," he shouted,
"hear Miss Pankhurst to-night." Mr.
Green is a popular Liberal, and the students
cheered him vociferously, sang "He's a
jolly good fellow," but refused silence.
"I presume you want to know what we
have been doing?" cried Miss Pankhurst.
"We don't," yelled back the audience.
"If this is the price we have to pay for
protesting at Asquith's meetings we are
prepared to pay it," she said. "Are we
downhearted?" "Who killed cock robin?"
the students sang. They then commenced
clapping and stamping as one man.

The din was terrific. The local woman
officials tried to persuade Miss Pankhurst
to give it up. She declined to give way,
and for over an hour the extraordinary
proceedings continued. Not a word could
be heard. "Will you give me a hearing?"
she shrieked. "My wife won't let me,"
was sung in reply.

Some mice having at this stage been
found to have been liberated on the plat-
form, one of them was handed to Miss
Pankhurst. Tossing with it in one
hand, and stroking its back gently, Miss
Pankhurst waited awhile. Then she
handed it down to the reporters just in
front of their inspection. The crowd
nearby sang, and shouted lustily, "Rule,
Britannia," and "Britons never shall be
slaves." Miss Pankhurst folded her arms.
When they waited to catch breath she got
in a few more words. "We are slaves,
though," she said, with arm outstretched.
"Are we downhearted?" came the ringing
response, and then a fusillade of clapping.
After striving ineffectually for an hour to
make herself heard, Miss Pankhurst gave
way to Miss Dugdale and Mrs. Lawrence,
but they fared no better. Ultimately the
secretary of the institution interposed, and
the meeting abruptly terminated. A force
of police prevented actual violence, which
once seemed imminent.

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HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 1908.

THE VALUE OF COMMISSIONS.

Among British people there is, or was, a fixed belief that the remedy for every evil under the sun is to appoint a Commission "to investigate and report." It would be of interest, if such a thing were possible, to get a return of the total annual expenditure in English speaking communities in connection with Royal and other Commissions. Possibly the practice of appointing Commissions first, commended itself to Governments as an excellent method of deferring action or consideration when such was inconvenient. The appointment of a Commission was regarded as an indication of the *bona fide* desire of the Government to elicit all the known facts before altering or initiating legislation. Whether it is so regarded now by a disappointed and suspicious public is doubtful. We have had in Hongkong painful experience in regard to Commissions. The year before last the then Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan, appointed a Commission consisting of well-known non-official gentlemen, in whom the community had full confidence, to hear evidence and supply recommendations in regard to the administration of Sanitary matters. The report of that Commission has been in the hands of the Government for ten months but no sign has been given that an endeavour is to be made to remedy any of the defects in the laws and their administration. We are perfectly well aware that it takes time to draft an amending measure but ten months is more than sufficient. If this were a self-governing Colony and such a report as that submitted by the Sanitary Commission were in the possession of the Government for even three months and no public announcement were made that legislation would be shortly forthcoming there would be such an outburst of indignation that the Ministry would be impeached. Unfortunately the local Government cannot be called into account for, in every sense of the phrase, its sins of Commission. Not only in

connection with sanitary matters has a Commission proved to be unfortunate from the public point of view. It may be remembered that a Commission was appointed in connection with the Observatory, the results of the labours of which were of small value. We are not accusing the Observatory in any way; we merely affirm that a Commission appointed in connection with its working ought to have gone exhaustively into the whole question. This case supports the view that Commissions are utilised in Hongkong to indefinitely hang up awkward problems. Finally we have the Coinage Commission. Here was a matter which affected every member of the community every day of their lives. A Commission was appointed. There have been rumours of a report having been submitted to the Governor and having been sent back to the Commission for reconsideration, but no official information has been vouchsafed. The community has been treated as if it had no concern in the matter. This again is a state of things which could only exist in a Crown Colony. But it is not for that reason any more creditable to those concerned. At the next meeting of the Legislative Council one of the unofficial members should demand some information in regard to sanitary and currency matters. The studied contempt of the Government for the rights of the public has been endured long enough without protest.

While it has been generally known that in America the spoils go to the political victors probably few people are aware of the cynical method by which these spoils are distributed. We learn from the New York "Times" that the President has the right of nomination for certain Federal offices, but that right is subject to the advice and approval of the Senate. The Senate by an unwritten law, known as the "courtesy of the Senate," will not confirm a nomination for an office in any State to which either of the Senators from that State, being a member of the majority party, is opposed. In the case of South Dakota the two Republican Senators had selected different sets of nominees for the various offices to be filled. Obviously if he chose one set the disappointed Senator would invoke the "courtesy of the Senate" and confirmation would be refused. If he selected some nominees from one set and some from another the Senate would probably reject the lot. The method by which Mr. Roosevelt solved the problem was characteristic. A number of offices were disposed of by the Senators drawing lots from the Presidential hat but afterwards, we learn, this was found to be too slow a method, a coin was produced and the Senators "tossed" for the offices. There is something delightful in the plan of disposing of important Federal positions, quite irrespective of the claims of the candidates, by resorting to the arbitrament of "heads or tails." It would simplify the choice of a President for the United States if the system were extended.

LOCAL AND COAST NEWS.

H.M.S. Hawk and H.M.S. Crescent leave for England to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock with the paid off crew of the King Alfred.

The prize distribution at the Bellios Public School takes place on Tuesday, January 21st, at 2.30 p.m., instead of at noon, as first arranged.

The proposed speed examination in connection with Pittman's shorthand has been deferred until the middle of March, in order to give students more time for preparation.

Admiral Sir Arthur Moore is taking an interest in the institutions established ashore for the benefit of sailors. Recently he visited the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home conducted by Mr. and Mrs. Embury, and gave \$50 in aid of its funds. He has secured a weekly parcel of periodicals for the place, from the Admiralty, which was first of all heartily supported by Commodore Stokes.

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CHINA'S CRIMINALS.

A Prison Inspection.

One often says that China is the land of idols, and sometimes of little else. The prisons that have been in vogue in the Middle Kingdom during the past ages have been a disgrace to any people. Now, however, the Government has not only introduced a new system of prison treatment of men convicted of crime, and also built new buildings in which they are detained, but also prison inspectors are sent forth from Peking whose duty it is to inspect the several prisons in the provinces and report. So it has come to pass that the Board of Law has sent down Mr. Hungkwan who is a person of some note and influence, in order to inspect the prisons of Canton. He has already reached the city, and has been received at the yamen of the Nanhai magistrate. It is his duty to personally visit the new prison and also to inspect all the lockups that are used for the detention of prisoners before they are finally condemned to the central prison. We do not suppose that during this inspection the men will be allowed to remain upon the city wall chained together in the cold and filth as they have often been allowed to do in the past. The officials will see to it that this does not appear whilst the government inspection is going on.

THE ORIGIN OF THE DRAMA.

An Interesting Lecture.

Mr. W. H. Williams gave a very entertaining lecture at the Union Church Literary Club last evening, taking as his subject the Origin of the Drama. The lecturer reviewed the story of English literature leading up to the Elizabethan age, pointing out the influences which were silently moulding the drama of the future and he then showed the ecclesiastical origin of the regular drama, which, he declared, was not taken up *per se* for its literary worth, but merely as a popular means of religious instruction—to drive home to the illiterate people the lessons of the Bible. The stage lay close to the altar of the Church, the actors were priests and monks, and the dramas were founded on the lives of the saints and the events of Biblical history, which gave rise to miracle and mystery plays. From the churches the plays were transferred to the town guilds and then came the formation of cycles of plays and the open air theatre in public places, with the natural sequel that secular subjects with romantic or comic aims came in. After giving illustrations of these miracle plays bringing the original drama down to 1850, a number of selections were staged from the Midsummer Night's Dream, where the rude mechanics of Quince's workshop decide to adopt the temporary role of strolling players and rehearse the lamentable comedy of Pyramus and Thisby. The pupils of the school acquitted themselves admirably. Mr. Williams then traced the development of the morality play and the impersonation of different virtues and vices and the subsequent introduction of characters representing noted men and women of the time. At this stage the drama was a potent factor in the history of the people for it exposed irregularities and "wickedness in high places" which called for reform. The lecturer gave an interesting description of the old Globe Theatre, after which a brief reference was made to Shakespeare, Ben Jonson, and a host of contemporaries who brought the drama to the zenith of its fame. The elevation of the drama from the decline into which it had fallen was due to the efforts of such men as Sheridan, Addison, Steele and Goldsmith and it then attained a position more worthy of the traditions which made England the creator and lover of its own drama for over 1000 years.

The strolling players then rendered the tragic scene of Pyramus and Thisby, a play within a play, the parts being splendidly sustained by Masters G. Hobbs (Bottom), F. Hobbs (Quince), M. Silverstone (Thisby), G. Wittell (Wall), J. Gibson (Moonshine), and G. Baker (Lion). Master G. Stokes attended to the "stage properties such as the plan wants."

Dr. G. Bateson Wright gives some excellent advice to Queen's College students in the "Yellow Dragon" for January. The "Malacca Cane" once more appears, and other articles make the journal interesting.

The dead body of Mr. Barker into second engineer of the Hopsang, was recovered yesterday afternoon. Mr. Barker met his death through falling into the water when attempting to cross a plank gangway from the Hopsang to the Hercules last week.

Having completed his term of five years, Inspector Collett appeared before Mr. F. A. Hazeldan at the Magistracy this morning, to renew his service. After swearing him in his Worship congratulated him, and hoped he would serve many more terms with the Hongkong police.

To-morrow evening the hall at the Belle View Hotel will be available for dancing. A string band has been engaged and the hall floor has been specially prepared. No charge is made for admission. On Saturday last there were a good many people at the hotel and an enjoyable evening was spent.

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BY TELEGRAPH. BY TELEGRAPH.

TEST CRICKET.

Distressing Conditions.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuter, via Bombay.)

LONDON, January 16.

The weather conditions for the final day's play of the third test match were very distressing, the heat being fearful—110 degrees in the shade.

The Troublesome Trumper.

The Sydney "Daily Telegraph" of Dec. 14 says: There was a prospect at one stage yesterday of the progress of the test match being interfered with. One of the players, Trumper, took the international contest as an opportunity to show his annoyance with the controlling authorities, who recently had occasion to disqualify him. The cause of the trouble was petty in itself. There is a room designed for the use of the players in the members' pavilion, and one of the players put up a notice on the door informing all who cared to read that the room was for the use of the players and several friends who were named. As the notice was not put there with the authority of the association, it was taken down by one of its officers. Trumper thereupon stated that he would not go into the field until it was restored. His own captain, Noble, by the way, had no knowledge of the posting of the notice until after it was taken down.

The spectators were kept waiting for a quarter of an hour after the game should have been resumed at 2.15 p.m. and then Noble and Armstrong induced Trumper to go into the field again.

THE KIANGSU RIOT.

Reinforcement Urgently Wanted.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, January 16.

Urgent requests have been made to the Peking Government for re-inforcement to quell the Kiangsu riot.

By order of the Board of Posts and Communications, special trains are set aside for the transportation of troops from Peking to Hankow, thence to the place of riot.

THE KIANGSU RAILWAY LOAN.

The Question Settled.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, January 16.

The Kiangsu Railway Company has consented to the loan from the British Corporation being made in the name of the Peking Government.

DR. SUN YAT SEN.

Deported From Annam.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, January 16.

The French Minister has informed the Peking Government that the Governor-General of Annam has ordered the departure from that country of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, the leader of reformers.

SHIPPING CONCESSION.

On the Whampoa.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)

PEKING, January 16.

Belgian surveying engineers, who have travelled along the Whampoa river, have formed a syndicate for the purpose of securing a shipping concession on the Whampoa river.

The Waiyupu has not yet replied, but, in the meantime, the people of the five provinces through which the river runs, have joined in a memorial to the Peking Government objecting to a concession being granted to a foreign syndicate.

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THE NAVY.

Further Increases Possible.

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LONDON, January 16.

Earl Grey, speaking at Alnwick, Northumberland, stated that if the foreign naval programmes were carried out in their entirety further increases in the British Navy would undoubtedly be necessary.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE BOYERTOWN DISASTER.

LONDON, January 15.

167 bodies have been recovered from the disaster at Boyertown.

THE CHINESE IN THE TRANSVAAL.

LONDON, January 15.

Ten Indians and eight Chinese have been ordered to be expelled the Transvaal for picketing.

The Johannesburg Chairman of the Chinese Association has been imprisoned for two months for failing to comply with the expulsion laws.

THE PRUSSIAN LOAN.

LONDON, January 15.

\$29,000,000 of the Prussian Loan has been subscribed.

PERSIA.

LONDON, January 15.

Firman Firma wires from Subjak that he is surrounded by 20,000 Tribesmen and urgently needs re-inforcements and provisions; otherwise his party will be cut up or perish of hunger.

THE MONETARY POSITION IN GERMANY.

LONDON, January 15.

In a debate in the Reichstag on the German monetary position, Count Kanitz urged that every effort should be made to erect a wall of silver round Germany's stock of gold.

The Government replied that while the present gold system must be maintained unimpaired, enquiries had been instituted which would result in a revision of the coinage law and in increasing the circulation of silver in accordance with the needs of a growing population.

The Government were also considering an increase of the amount of silver receivable as legal tender.

MANILA'S CARNIVAL.

Postponed 21 Days.

A telegram was received in the Colony to-day from Manila to the effect that the Carnival has been postponed from February 3 until February 27.

According to the "Cablenews-American" of January 14 it was decided the previous day to postpone the Carnival until March 9, but evidently another meeting has been held and the date has been fixed for February 28. The paper gives the cause of the postponement as follows: The postponement was decided on last evening at a meeting of the members of the Executive Committee of the Carnival Association, the Governor-General, the members of the Commission and the speaker and other Assemblymen, held at the Malacanang. The Director of Health of the Philippines, Dr. Heiser, stated that the presence of cholera in Manila and in the provinces had assumed a threatening aspect. There were no great number of cases but whereas usually cholera attacked only the poorer classes of Filipinos, in the last few days a number of Spaniards and Americans had taken the disease. He thought it best that the Carnival be postponed until the islands could be freed from cholera.

The Governor General and others said that as Manila had invited guests from abroad, that it was only fair to these prospective visitors that word be sent to the countries about the Philippines that there was cholera here. He himself deemed it but the courtesy for which the Philippines were famed that we use every precaution to shield visitors from any possible inconvenience. If the Carnival were postponed until sometime later Dr. Heiser and he thought that the disease would be eradicated and there would then be no risk in having an immense assemblage here.

While there were some dissenting voices most of those present concurred. Meanwhile the efforts of the men working for the success of the pollution will be directed toward perfecting every detail.

The Bishop will preach at St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, at 11 a.m. on Sunday.

The German cruiser Arcona came in this afternoon, and saluted the port. She remains a few days.

From the Hongkong Printing Press we have received samples most artistically done Chinese calendars. The work is of a superior class.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 1908.

THE CHINA MAIL.

BY TELEGRAPH.

SHIPWRECK.

The Yiksang Lost.

TOTAL WRECK ON THE BROTHERS.

Survivors Arrive at Swatow.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Swatow, January 16, 9.10 p.m.

The Indo-China Steam Navigation Company's steamer Yiksang became a total wreck on the Brothers yesterday morning.

The Captain, the Second Officer, the Third Engineer and forty Chinese have arrived here.

The Chief Officer, the Second Engineer and thirteen Chinese in ship's boats have not arrived yet.

The Chief Engineer and five Chinese are missing.

The Yiksang carried a cargo of coals, and was bound from Wakamatsu to Hongkong.

The steamer ran aground in a dense fog.

CHIEF ENGINEER LOST.

Five Chinese Drowned.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Swatow, January 17.

The Chief Engineer of the Yiksang, Mr. F. R. Pinkerton, and five Chinese, have been drowned. All the rest of the officers and crew have arrived here.

THE SHIP AND OFFICERS.

Like all the steamers of the Indo-China fleet the Yiksang was a well-built and well-found vessel. She was built by the Camplishron Shipbuilding Company in 1902 and was constructed of steel. Her length was 280 feet, and her beam 40 feet, her tonnage being 1630 tons. She carried six European officers and a crew of Chinese. Her officers are:

W. S. THOMAS, Captain, of 12 Hollyhead Road, Upper Bangor, North Wales.

WILLIAM GIBB, First Officer, of 2 Church Hill St., Melport, Scotland.

JAMES FRINGE, Second Officer, of 3 St. Mary's Street, St. Andrew's, N.B.

F. R. PINKERTON, Third Officer, of 18 Risk Street, Dunlaur, Scotland.

W. McCOLL, Second Engineer, of 54 Glesson Street, Dunlaur, Scotland.

J. H. C. FITZ, Third Engineer, Grand Hotel, Swansea, South Wales.

THE PASSENGERS TO THE RESCUE.

A confirmatory telegram having been received by the agents, Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., steps were immediately taken to endeavour to lend assistance to any possible survivors. The Company's steamer Fausang happened to be due to leave Swatow to-day or to-morrow for Shanghai and a telegram has been despatched instructing her when on her way to visit the scene of the wreck, search for survivors, and then call in at Amoy to report to the Hongkong office as to the condition of the wreck, etc.

The Chinese survivors at Swatow will be returned to Shanghai, and the foreigners will probably come to Hongkong.

THE BROTHERS.

The islands on which the Yiksang has come to grief are situated about 60 miles north-east of Swatow and consist of two groups of rocks, one rising 80 feet and the other 150 feet above water level. There is no light upon the rocks and they are, in line with the Lamouks light—some 27 miles south-west—but in foggy weather they are invisible. They are about ten miles from the shore and are surrounded by deep water. In most places they rise sheer from the water's edge, and it is possible that landing places do not exist. Between the two groups there is deep water, and steamers have been known to pass through.

The steamer carried about 3000 tons of coal for Canton, and no doubt this cargo was insured in Japan; both cargo and ship are insured.

PROBABLE CAUSE OF THE WRECK.

The news of the loss of the steel screw steamer Yiksang created somewhat of a sensation in shipping circles this morning, and the coming of fog of this steamer was taken to once again demonstrate the ever-present dangers that confront navigators on the China Coast. The numerous rocks and islands, and the treacherous currents are sufficient in themselves to keep navigators on the qui vive, but when to these dangers are added the terrors of dense fogs, the situation of the ship captain is of a particularly undesirable nature. Navigation on this coast is always carried on with the most extreme care when conditions are bad, and as Captain W. S. Thomas, of the Yiksang, bears the reputation of being one of the most careful skippers afloat, it can be taken for granted that the steamer was set off her course by the current, and, if the current happens to be swifter than calculated, no doubt reckoning would be of use.

The rocks on which the steamer has been piled are solitary ones—about 10 miles from shore—and as the steamer would come down the Formosa Channel the probability is that the current was stronger than allowed for, and the loom of the rocks could not be seen in the fog. They are not lighted at all, and navigators have no aid in foggy weather to detect their whereabouts. In clear weather, of course, they are not actually a danger. The evil that is in them comes out when fog blots out the view—and the China coast fogs are notorious for their dense propensities.

THE AMERICAN DEPRESSION.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, December 27.

The American crisis, by the way, is having curious results. One is that there is a much worse trade for books and bric-a-brac in London auction rooms this year. Moreover there are streams of poor people coming over from America. Just now, the majority making their way to Austria, Italy, and Russia. Some are fairly well off and are going home to spend Christmas with their relatives, but many are escaping the hard times now being experienced in the labour market of America. One of the hardest hit trades over there has been the motor-car business, for the demand for luxuries has slumped to zero almost. In Denver, for instance, which is a great automobile centre, there are thousands without work, and the wives of hitherto prosperous mechanics have now to get their earnings by their own hands. Altogether there have been nearly 100,000 passengers of this kind for European ports in the past few weeks.

THE KAISER'S HEALTH.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

LONDON, December 17.

The Kaiser has gone amid renewed expressions of cordiality, and his last two days—spent in London—gave him many opportunities of seeing that the warmth of his reception on the way to the Guildhall nearly a month ago was no mere casual outburst.

He really looks very well, though the evil rumours of throat trouble still continue to circulate. They have been denied over and over again, but come up again with much appearance of assurance; and the latest was that King Alfonso had made advances on his way home to Spain for a French physician to see and treat the Emperor. However, according to this story, the French specialist consulted at Bordeaux, where the Spanish yacht put in, made haste to evade the command, for the French specialists are both to take in hand a German monarch, bearing in mind the bitter things said of the late Sir Morell Mackenzie after the death of the late Emperor Frederick. The spite and professional jealousy then shown by the German doctors would, they say, be given tenfold to a French physician should any untoward result follow his advice, however great his skill might be.

Still, I should say that whether there is any cause for anxiety or not the trouble is not immediate, and it may be possible to withstand any development of it if the Kaiser will be more careful of his strength than hitherto.

The air and surroundings of the New Forest have worked wonders. Probably he never had a better holiday in his life, despite the stifling weather, for the roads are perfect in Hampshire and the woods are sufficiently varied to give interest at any time of year. And as for his neighbours, they are one and all loud in his praise—especially the children. Moreover, there can be no gainsaying the fact that the cause of peace has been much advanced by the more cordial relations between the two monarchs and the people. It is useless at this time for Teuto-phobe papers to vend that line of their wares in London.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr. Figg of the Hongkong Observatory:—On the 17th at 11.55 a.m.—The barometer has risen considerably over Japan, the depression lying over Hokkaido yesterday having moved into the Pacific.

Pressure has given way over the Yangtze. It is highest between N. China and the Sea of Japan.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E. winds, moderate; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. winds, moderate to fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamouks: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 2.

Wheat greater luxury, what rarer treat than a glass of pure Imperial Draught Beer.—ADVT.

BEWARE OF PNEUMONIA.

If you have weak lungs, you have reason to fear pneumonia, and should keep at hand a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It counteracts any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE.

Annual Prize-Giving.

The annual prize-giving at St. Stephen's College took place this morning in the presence of His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard, Lady Lugard, Captain Mitchell Taylor (A.D.C.), His Lordship Bishop Lander, Venerable Archdeacon Bannister, Mr. G. and Mrs. Piercy, Rev. and Mrs. Pearce, Rev. F. T. Johnson, Mr. W. D. Braidwood, Rev. J. H. France, Dr. Saunders, Rev. A. D. Stewart, and others. The hall was tastefully decorated for the occasion and the scholars were mustered in force.

The proceedings opened with prayer, after which His Lordship the Bishop addressed the assembly. He was sure that His Excellency, like himself, had not been in the Colony long before he discovered the prominence given—and justly given—to education in Hongkong. It was impossible to exaggerate the importance of education. A child could lead a horse or other strong animal simply because the child had superior knowledge and educated men and women were generally more influential than those who were ignorant. Education was more than knowledge; it was not mere cramming, but rather it drew out the capabilities of the mind, body and spirit—teaching the individual to educate himself. In St. Stephen's College they desired to lay a foundation so that the scholars could go on educating themselves throughout life and he thought the College was doing good work in that respect. He congratulated the teachers on the result of the year's work and referred particularly to the high position taken by thirteen of the boys at the Oxford Local Examinations. The college required a larger building and he hoped that the time would soon be at hand when they would get it; they had the land, all that was wanted was the money to build. His Lordship also thought the College should be affiliated with one of the Universities, and scholarships should be instituted to enable those lads who excelled to go to Oxford or Cambridge.

THE REPORT.

Archdeacon Bannister read the annual report as follows:—Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen:—It is with the greatest pleasure that we welcome Your Excellency and Lady Lugard among us to-day; for your presence, Sir, is not only an honour but a real incentive to us all; we are not unmindful of the many calls on your time and are glad that matters educational in the Colony have your pronounced and active sympathy, of which your presence with us to-day is a further evidence.

Our Warden (The Rev. E. J. Barnett, M.A.) went to England last Midsummer on account of the very unsatisfactory state of Mrs. Barnett's health; latest advices show a gradual improvement but convalescence has not been thoroughly enough established for Mr. Barnett to be quite sure of the date of his departure for Hongkong. During his absence, Sir, I have endeavoured, in some degree to fulfil the duties pertaining to the position of Acting Warden, while the Rev. A. D. Stewart, M.A., of St. Paul's College, has given considerable time and help to the work of this institution; arrangements have been made by which we expect these temporary additions to the staff to continue till the warden's return.

The attendance throughout the year has been remarkably good, no less than 151 names on the school roll for 1907, almost invariably it has only been the urgency of pressing matters which has deterred students from being present; and the keenness for acquiring information has been shown not only in class, but in out-of-school time as well, many of the boys having made their business to be present at any extra demonstrations.

The continuation of the science classes has been entirely successful; the three highest forms have received lessons in Physics and Chemistry and have acquired a working knowledge of many of the principles of these sciences, especially electricity and magnetism, and we expect in the coming year, to be far enough advanced to present these subjects for the Oxford Local Examinations.

Science work in the junior forms has not been on laboratory lines, as in the most advanced stage; special interest has been taken in agricultural science with the expectation that later developments will produce an intelligent interest in botany and the growth of plants.

It has been decided to give more time to the teaching of English in the junior forms; senior boys, who have spent considerable time with us, usually have a fair knowledge of the language, as has been abundantly evidenced by the results in English in the Oxford Locals; but to those who have not had much practice in the language, such subjects as word-building, letter-writing, and English composition or essay, present very numerous pitfalls, we look to a further insistence on English work in the junior forms, to save much valuable time of those doing higher work; for deficiency in correct English involves delay in English Authors, also in Mathematics and Science work.

The development of the physical side has had its due share of attention this year, as well as a very gratifying measure of success; our chief game has been cricket, and of the eight matches played, we have won seven, beating each school, whom we could persuade to accept our challenge; we lost the first match to the Y. M. C. A. but won on the return.

During the summer months the launch regularly carried a large number to the favoured spots for swimming, and the majority of the bathers have now learned the necessary art.

Football and tennis have both had followers, the tennis tournament having resulted in a win for the Form IV representatives.

The College Union came into existence nearly 18 months ago for the purpose of binding together and strengthening those who desired to know more than they can learn in school hours, of the teaching and life of Jesus Christ, the Asiatik Who "spoke with authority" on the subject which has a more general interest for men than any other, and it has proved a strong factor in the all-round development of the school.

In addition to the gatherings of the Union we have been particularly fortunate in having the opportunity from time to time of hearing addresses and receiving instruction from several men who hold leading positions among the teachers and students of the day, including Dr. Karl Fries, the Chairman of the world's student Christian Federation, G. S. Eddy, Esq., the leader in India of student Volunteer work, J. Hurry, Esq., a prominent secretary of Y.M.C.A. work in America, Rev. J. N. Farquhar, M.A., of Calcutta, Rev. D. Burgess, well known in India for his almost unique skill in the organisation of Sunday Schools, Frank Renwood, Esq., M.A., a leader of students in Oxford, Prof. Harlan P. Bosch, the first professor of missions appointed in the justly famed Yale University, the Bishop of South Tokyo. These gentlemen have spoken on such subjects as: "The Secret of Success, Temptation, A Country's Needs, Character, Sacrifice."

The chief scholastic success of the year has been in the Oxford Local Examination. Of the 14 candidates recommended by the school, 13 succeeded in passing the examinations. Four passed the Senior, six the Junior and three the preliminary, while the results work out as follows:—Religious Knowledge 85%; Algebra 91%; Geometry 64%; Arithmetic (both elementary and higher) 100%; English 64%; Geography 70%; Book-keeping 68%. We have now two students who have succeeded in gaining the A. A. distinction.

In the VI Form Chuan Kwun Lam easily maintains his last year's position as Dux of the School, though Fung Man Sui has obtained premier position in three groups of subjects.

The average result has been the highest yet secured in the VI, which is mainly due to the fact that Senior boys graduating through the school, have a longer term in which to improve their English.

The V Form which includes 18 boys is numerically stronger than it has been before, and during the last half year its work has been raised to a much higher standard, so as to constitute it the form for the junior Oxford Candidates instead of for the Preliminary. The boys have on the whole very satisfactorily responded to this effort.

The work of the IV Form has been very satisfactory, good work being done on all subjects. In this form as in the fifth, the standard has been raised, and this form will henceforth work up to the standard of the Oxford Preliminary Examination.

Special mention must be made of the Dux who in the final examinations secured an average of over 90%.

In the III Form Luk Lu Cheung is well ahead of his competitors with an average of 87. Lam Yuen tied with the Dux in mathematics, while the Chinese work in this form has been by far its strongest branch of work.

In the II Form the position of Dux has been taken by Lai Hui Yung, with an average of 74. Lai Hui Yung coming second with 68, closely followed by Cheng Man Sam 67. Yuen Fu Yu has also done good work though but a short time in the class.

The work of the first form on the whole has been fairly satisfactory. As all of them were beginners when they first came, they have worked hard at the first two terms, and towards the end of the year they made considerable headway, though a special amount of time has been spent in revision of ground work.

Two prizes known as the Wei On memorial prizes have been presented to the school. Mr. Wei On took great interest in this school. He was a distinguished member of the Chinese Community and was highly esteemed by all who knew him.

His sudden illness and early death were greatly deplored and regretted by his many friends both of the East and the West in the Colony. The two prizes designated the Wei On Memorial Prizes are given by his friends to perpetuate the memory of one who was a cultured representative of Western Education.

One winner is selected on the recommendation of the school prefects, the other prize is nominated by the masters in conference. Of the prefects' nominees the school has chosen See Chung Su, and the other prize falls to Fung Man Sui.

The claims of two candidates for this prize were very even, and as the masters were equally divided, it was necessary to ask the prefects who have this year appointed both prize winners. These rewards carry special value, as they are given chiefly for force of character as shown throughout the year.

The further kindly encouraging interest of our many friends has again been evinced and we have to thank the following for contribution to the prize fund:—Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, C.M.G., Mr. S. W. Tso, Mr. Ng Pak To, Mr. Chung Sum Fong, Mr. Lo But Po, Mr. Chai Siu Ki, Mr. Lai Kwai Pui, Mr. Lo Chor Shun, Mr. Chai Hing Ki, Mr. Chai Kam Wing, Mr. Chai Seng Sang, Mr. Chung Woo Hin, Mr. Chu Sik Yu, Mr. Leung Ping Nam, Mr. Tso Tze Choung, Mr. Yau Shue, Dr. Wain Man Koi, Mrs. Pui Chai Shi, Mr. Chai Siu Lam, Mr. Wong Wing Chai, Mr. Chan King Ting. I have thankfully to acknowledge the loyal and faithful work of the masters during the absence of the Rev. E. J. Barnett. Their very cheerful cooperation in every thing that tended to benefit the school has heightened its own burden in no small degree, and I trust we shall be able to carry on satisfactorily until his return.

One word of commendation is also due to the Senior boys for their assistance in maintaining efficiency by their example in work and influence on the younger boys.

We are still suffering from want of space, and we trust that before long the parents and friends of the students will enable us to make the necessary additions to the building to enable us to extend, and increase the utility of the school, for the special class of students for whose welfare it is designed.

Three of our boys (Lok Lok Tsoi, Philip Lo, Kwan Yau) are at present in Euclid, preparing for or studying at Oxford or other universities.

No less than five of our number have arranged to accompany His Excellency, Lord Ting Fung, to America; Lo Yau Yau, Lo Shue, Chan Sing Nain, Ho Wing Yuen and Ho Wing Lo also intend to continue their studies in the States. We look forward to a gradual supplementing of our numbers in foreign seats of learning.

His Excellency—My Lord Bishop, Mr. Warden, Ladies and Gentlemen: It is a very pleasant task which devolves upon the Governor about this time each year to distribute the prizes at various institutions, and to congratulate both masters and boys on the successes won during the hard term proceeded. Each institution which I visit has a different character of some particular interest, and I think of all there is none with a more exceptional interest than St. Stephen's (appliance). It has been founded, as you know, for the sons of Chinese gentlemen, and is self-supporting. It has a staff of six English masters and two Chinese masters, and its numbers are steadily increasing. Last year its numbers were about 133, I believe, and this year, as we have just heard, they reach 151. The school has only been established for five years, and last year was the first year in which you secured successes in the Oxford Local Examinations. There were two passes in the senior, two in the junior and two in the preliminary, a total of six. This year, as we have just heard, there were four in the senior, six in the junior and three in the preliminary, a total of thirteen, which is nearly double that of last year (applause). I congratulate you, Sir, and I congratulate the school very heartily on that success; and I am glad to see too, that in the report, which I think we may consider as eminently satisfactory, that great progress was made in the general standards of the school. You were able to raise the standard of the first three forms so as to make them equivalent to the senior, junior and preliminary Oxford examinations respectively; and in the recently established science classes the warden is able to report great success both in chemistry, physics and agricultural science; so much so that I see you wish to include them next year in the papers for the Oxford Locals; and I wish you every success in them. In sports, too, you have been pre-eminently successful. I am glad to hear that you won seven out of eight cricket matches, and drew another. I think that pre-eminence in sport is a matter which is very important, for I think it acts largely in the training of character. To hear from a warden that he is pleased to hear that great attention has been paid to this matter which, in my opinion, is the most valuable thing that a boy could acquire in his school career. Both in the fact that the example of the senior boys to the juniors was so praised; in the fact that you were able to secure the services of the distinguished lecturers named by the warden, and that the subjects chosen by them were subjects I think peculiarly well adapted to the object in view; that is to say, the development of character, and music especially, the subject to which you devoted your two new prizes, which were given, I understand, chiefly and primarily, to the boys who distinguished themselves by force of character (applause). In all these matters I am glad to be able to congratulate you. St. Stephen's is a young school; quite in its infancy; but it has large ambitions, and in those ambitions I share. My predecessor, when distributing the prizes on a former occasion, suggested that this school might be affiliated with an English university. The Lord Bishop just told us that he endorses that hope, and his Lordship made further valuable suggestions that scholarships in connection with a home university should be instituted here. I may also say that this scheme is feasible; it will have the most commendable effect. And while I share these ambitions it may be said that I go one further, for I think that Hongkong should be the Oxford or Cambridge of the Far East (applause). It seems to me, ladies and gentlemen, that our geographical position here is one which lends itself in an extraordinary way to making us an industrial and educational centre in this part of the world. The progress of this Colony in fifty years of its existence has shown both on the side of material prosperity and in the growth of educational institutions, and the British flag, and I think gives us ground for hope that these ambitions may some day be realised. I do not speak in the nature of mere optimistic belief; the opportunity is now with us to be taken as I believe myself to grasp it (applause). I believe myself to be in the awakening of China and in the opportunities for reciprocal benefits which that awakening will give to us and I believe that we must either now take those opportunities or leave them for others to take. The warden, when distributing the prizes last year alluded to the liberality of the ideas which were evident in the Peking examinations that year. That showed that China wanted a new class of men and a new class of learning and he added the significant words, "The men China College must produce." The men China College must produce. Ladies and gentlemen, in my view (applause). I hope that Hongkong and this College may become the embryo University of Western learning, not merely for our own Colony but for the great and friendly Empire which is on our frontier (applause).

His Excellency then presented the prizes and Lady Lugard handed out the Oxford Local Certificates.

A vote of thanks to His Excellency and Lady Lugard was proposed by the Rev. F. T. Johnson, seconded by Mr. Chai Siu Ki, and carried by acclamation.

COMING REPUBLICS.

The German Radical weekly, "Die Welt am Montag," predicts that Holland and Belgium will become Republics in the near future, as the Belgians are disgusted with monarchism, and the Dutch, after the extinction of the Orange dynasty, will prefer a Republic to the accession of a minor German prince.

HOW DIPHTHERIA IS CONTRAICTED.

ONE often hears the expression, "My child caught a severe cold," which developed into diphtheria, when the truth was that the cold had simply left the little one particularly susceptible to the wandering diphtheria germ. When Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given it quickly cures the cold and lessens the danger of diphtheria or any other germ disease being contracted. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

SPORTING.

The Race Meeting.

The preliminary programmes for the Hongkong Race meeting to be held on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday (February 11, 12 and 13) with the off-day on Saturday, have been issued. The entries, in almost every case, are larger than last year and Mr. John Peel has the largest string of ponies entered. For the Derby there are twenty-three entrants against twenty-one last year, but eight of last year's owners have not entered ponies. They are:—Messrs Copenhagen, Fas, Hunter, Logan, D. Macdonald, Medley, Ross and White. This year, however, Messrs Brutton, Dryadust, Moir, Willgriff and Major Parker have entered ponies for the blue-ribbon event.

The various races and the number of entries are:—FIRST DAY:—Wong-ai-chong Stakes (42 entries), Victoria Stakes (17), Valley Stakes (39), Hongkong Griffin Stakes (10), Maiden Stakes (20), Foochow Cup (10), Trial Plate (21), Garrison Cup (38), Lusitano Cup (22), Hongkong Club Cup (17), Racing Stakes (45).

SECOND DAY:—Professional Cup (26 entries), Hongkong Derby (23), German Cup (35), Gold Coast Cup (32), Jockey Cup (29), Challenge Cup (56), Navy Cup (38), Parsee Cup (23), Gymkhana Club Cup (36), and Tientsin Stakes (11).

THIRD DAY:—Grand Stand Stakes (23 entries), Great Southern Stakes (31), Hongkong Stakes (47), Ladies' Purse (20), Flyaway Stakes (27), Phoenix Stakes (34), Kowloon Stakes (39), Consolation Stakes (40), Champion Stakes (for China ponies, winners at this meeting only—a forced entry), Nil Desperandum Stakes (40).

League Cricket.

The league fixtures for to-morrow are:—POLICE v. R.G.A.

KOWLOON v. CRAIGSGOWER.

TELEGRAPH v. CIVIL SERVICE.

The Kowloon-Craigsgower match should be a very interesting one and as it is to be played on the Kowloon ground the Peninsula men are looking forward to a win. Craigsgower may be depended to put up a good struggle and, if they win, their prospects for the premiership will be strengthened, as either the Telegraphs or Civil Service will go down, unless of course that match is a draw. The Telegraphs are strong in bowling and stand Hutehison and Phillips make a useful pair for the Civil Service the team should be dismissed early. The Telegraph batmen have not done much to-date, and against Mitchell and Brett they will have their work cut out. This should be a good match. The Police-R.G.A. match will not have a great effect on the competition.

The teams for to-morrow are:—

KOWLOON: W. Dixon, S. Lightfoot, J. Clelland, C. Libeard, H. Harrop, K. Macaskill, F. O. Day, H. Tillman, J. Robinson, H. Burgess, and J. Mead. Reserve—H. Clements.

TELEGRAPH: R. L. J. Wright, W. A. Powell, L. J. Wishart, A. H. Young, R. B. Beattie, C. E. Shields, A. W. J. Peake, J. D. Woods, C. B. Franklin, P. Linton, and J. B. Wishart.

CIVIL SERVICE: H. T. Jackson, H. R. Phillips, R. O. Hutchison, P. R. Adams, R. Mitchell, Hon. Dr. Atkinson, E. B. Reed, L. E. Brett, A. G. Pile, E. W. Dawson, and F. A. Bidden.

POLICE: P. P. J. Wodehouse, D. McHardy, J. Kerr, W. Kent, W. Edwards, R. Irvine, W. Pitt, G. Fowler, J. Ogg, Lander and S. Bell.

CRAIGSGOWER:—Messrs L. E. Lamert (Capt.), M. E. Ager, R. Bass, A. O. Brown, R. Pestonji, G. Evans, E. Irvine, H. L. Manderson, L. A. Rose, Dr. F. H. Kew and T. C. Hancock.

Cricket.

HONGKONG CRICKET CLUB.

A match will take place to-morrow afternoon on the Club's ground, commencing at 2 p.m. between "Over and Under Thirty."

OVER THIRTY: R. Hancock, W. C. D. Turner, A. R. Lowe, A. O. Long, J. W. C. Bonnar, E. H. Hinds, S. Robinson, S. S. Logan, Major Macfarlane, 2nd Cameron, Major Stephenson, 3rd Mid., and F. Jackson.

UNDER THIRTY: R. Hancock, T. E. Pearce, A. A. Claxton, H. R. Makin, E. A. Fowler, W. F. Brewer, J. H. Chalmers, F. H. Stevens, T. C. Gray, J. W. Taylor and S. Moor.

Volunteer Reserve Association.

The results of the competitions held during the month of December were as follows:—

GOVERNOR'S CUP AND CHARTER CUP AT 200 YARDS.

A. Jenkins	07	scr.	= 67
L. G. Bird	04 + 3	=	68
J. C. Gov	06	scr.	= 67
W. J. Saunders	05 + 3	=	68
Dr. Evan Jones	01 + 4	=	69
J. H. Fidgeon	04	scr.	= 64
A. Mackenzie	08 + 6	=	64
R. Baker	00 + 2	=	62
H. W. Bird	04 + 8	=	62
E. W. Terry	02 + 10	=	62
J. Hutehison	02 + 20	=	62
W. J. Goss	01 + 8	=	69
G. G. Goss	44 + 14	=	68
E. Ormiston	31 + 20	=	51

There were 63 entries.

HERBERT CUP AT 600 YARDS.

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Steamers	Leave Hongkong	Connecting Steamers from Colombo to	Due at Marseilles (Brindisi 2 days earlier)	Due at Plymouth (London 1 day later)
ARCADIA.....7000	Jan. 25	VICTORIA.....7000	Feb. 22	Feb. 29
PENINSULAR.....5300	Feb. 8	MAEDONIA.....10500	Mar. 7	Mar. 14
DEVANHA.....8000	Feb. 22	BRITANNIA.....7000	Mar. 21	Mar. 28
DELTA.....8000	Mar. 7	MOULTAN.....10000	Apr. 4	Apr. 11
MARMOHA.....10500	Mar. 21	(through steamer)	Apr. 18	Apr. 25
DELHI.....8000	Apr. 4	MOLDAVIA.....10000	May 2	May 9
MALTA.....8000	Apr. 18	HIMALAYA.....7000	May 16	May 23
DEVANHA.....8000	May 2	MONGOLIA.....10000	May 30	June 6
OCEANA.....7000	May 16	INDIA.....8000	June 14	June 21

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	about		about	
* SUNDA	4700	Jan. 29	March 16	
* PALAWAN	4700	Feb. 12	March 30	
* NUBIA	6000	March 11	April 7	25
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* NORE	7000	May 6	June 22	
* SUMATRA	4900	June 3	July 20	

These Steamers call also at Singapore, Penang, Colombo, and at Malta or Marseilles. Carry 1st and 2nd Saloon Passengers. Carry only First Saloon Passengers.

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Co's s.s.	For	Leaving
DAIJI MARU, Capt. I. SAKURAI	TAMUI, Via SWATOW AND AMOY.	SUNDAY, 19th Jan., at 10 a.m.
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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. FROM MIDDLESBOROUGH, ANTWERP, LONDON & STRAITS.

THE Steamship FLINTSHIRE, Captain G. O. CUNY, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD., at KOWLOON, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st Inst., will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesday, the 21st Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, January 15, 1908. 82

'BARBER' LINE OF STEAMERS. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES. THE STEAMSHIP WRAY CASTLE. FROM NEW YORK AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD., at KOWLOON, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

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All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Tuesday, the 20th Inst., at 3 p.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & CO., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, January 13, 1908. 70

NORDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN. IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE. NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE Steamship PRINZ HEINRICH, having arrived, Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED, KOWLOON, whence delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 22nd of January, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 22nd of January, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 26th of January, 1908, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

Cargo impeding discharge of the vessel will be landed at once, at Consignees' risk and expense.

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The Maelstrom is the name of a terrible abyss, dark as night, at the end of a long avenue in the famous Mammoth Cave of Kentucky. For a long time this pit remained unexplored. A celebrated guide who had faced death a hundred times was offered a hundred pounds to make the descent. He refused.

One brave man attempted the descent, but his courage gave out when he was a hundred feet down, and he was drawn up to safety.

At last a young man of iron nerves and sinews determined to explore the Maelstrom. The company provided him with a long rope of great strength, and with some heavy timbers, and a party of friends lent their assistance.

First a rope weighted with a large fragment of rock was let into the pit and swung about to dislodge loose pieces of stone. Then the explorer tied the rope about his body, took a light in his hand, and was let down by six men into the abyss.

Masses of loosened earth and rock whizzed past, but none struck him. A cataract rushed out of an unseen opening, and he was afraid the spray would put out his candle, but his care prevented it. For one hundred and ninety feet he was lowered, and then he touched bottom.

He found himself in a circular pit, eighteen feet in diameter, out of which a small passage led into a fine chamber covered with exquisite formations. When he had seen all he wanted, he shouted to his friends, and made them understand that he wished to stop when part of the way up, to investigate a cave he had noticed. Reaching the opening he swung himself in with great exertion. Untying the rope, he unfortunately let it slip, and it swung out apparently beyond recovery. The situation was fearful; his friends could do nothing, and for a long time his efforts were in vain. At last, by making a hook of his lantern and reaching out at a perilous angle, he managed to secure the rope.

When he was about ninety feet from the top he heard a horrified exclamation from his friends, and discovered that the rope had taken fire from the friction, at a spot hard to reach. Only a ready can of water saved the daring explorer from a fearful death. He was drawn up, calm and self-possessed; but the strain on his friends had been terrible, and one, a professor, when the danger was over, fainted away.

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Butcher Meat.

Beef strip of prime cut—Mol Lung Pa	lb 20
Corried—Ham Ngan Yuk	20
Roast—Shin	20
Breast—Nagu Lam	15
Soup—Tong Yuk	16
Steak—Ngan Yuk Pa	20
Ontom Ngau Las Sirin	30
Sausages—Ngan Chong	25
Bullock's Brain	10
Tongue—Nagu A	50
Corried—Ham Ngan Id	55
Head—Ngan Tau	80
Heart—Ngan Sum	12
Flump—Salt—Ngan Kin	20
Feet—Ngan Kerk	7
Kidneys—Ngan Yiu	10
Tail—Ngan Mei	17
Liver—Ngan Cou	12
Tripe (undressed)—Ngan To	7

Calves' Head & Feet—Ngan-chai-tau-kak, set \$1.00

Mutton Chop—Yeung Pal Kwat

Leg—Yeung Pei

Shoulder—Yeung Shao

Pigs' Chittings—Chi chong

Brains—Chi Know

Feet—Chi Kerk

Fry—Chi Chai

Heart—Chi Tak

Heart—Chi Sum

Kidneys—Chi Yiu

Liver—Chi Con

Pork Chop—Chi Pai Kwat

Corried—Ham Cha Yuk

Log—Chi Pei

Fat or Lard—Chi Yau

Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau Kerk

Heart—Yeung Sam

 Kidneys—Yeung Yiu || Liver—Yeung Con | 24 |
Sucking Pig, To Order—Chi Chai	22
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	16
Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau	24
Veal—Ngan Chai Yuk	20
Sausages—Ngan Chai Chong	20

Poultry.

Quacken—Kai Chai

Cuyons, Large, Small—Sin Kai

Ducks—Ap

Doves—Pan Kau

Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan

Fowls, Canton—Kai

Hatman—Hot Nam Kai

Geese—Ngol

Geese, Wild—Shai, S'he Yer Ngol, pair

Goose Deer—Wong Keng

Hare, Shanghai—Zu Chai

Partridge—Che Kow

Phasant—Shan Kai

Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kip

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